



ATTACHMENT A

Claims 1 - 13: (Cancelled)

14. (New) A masterbatch composition comprising (percentage by weight):

- 1) 10-50% of a crystalline propylene homopolymer;
- 2) 50-90% of a blend consisting of:
 - a) a copolymer (a) of ethylene and 10-40% of at least one C_4-C_{10} α -olefin of formula $H_2C=CHR$, where R is a C_2-C_8 linear or branched alkyl radical; and
 - b) an amorphous copolymer (b) of propylene and ethylene, wherein an ethylene content is from 20-70%, and having an intrinsic viscosity value of a xylene-soluble moiety of from 2.2 to 3.5 dL/g, this value being equal to 0.8 to 1.2 times the intrinsic viscosity value of a xylene-soluble moiety of copolymer (a);

wherein a weight ratio between copolymer (a) and copolymer (b) is from 3/1 to 1/3, and the masterbatch composition comprises a flexural modulus equal to or lower than 700 MPa.

15. (New) The masterbatch composition of claim 14, wherein the ethylene content of copolymer (b) is from over 30 to 60% by weight.

16. (New) The masterbatch composition of claim 14, wherein the weight ratio (a)/(b) is from 2/1 to 1/2.

17. (New) A thermoplastic polyolefin composition containing a masterbatch composition comprising (percentage by weight):

1) 10-50% of a crystalline propylene homopolymer;

2) 50-90% of a blend consisting of:

a) a copolymer (a) of ethylene and 10-40% of at least one C₄-C₁₀ α-olefin of formula H₂C=CHR, where R is a C₂-C₈ linear or branched alkyl radical; and

b) an amorphous copolymer (b) of propylene and ethylene, wherein an ethylene content is from 20-70%, and having an intrinsic viscosity value of a xylene-soluble moiety of from 2.2 to 3.5 dL/g, this value being equal to 0.8 to 1.2 times the intrinsic viscosity value of a xylene-soluble moiety of copolymer (a);

wherein a weight ratio between copolymer (a) and copolymer (b) is from 3/1 to 1/3, and the masterbatch composition comprises a flexural modulus equal to or lower than 700 MPa.

18. (New) The thermoplastic polyolefin composition of claim 17, wherein a content of the masterbatch composition is up to 60% by weight.

19. (New) The thermoplastic polyolefin composition of claim 17, wherein the masterbatch composition is blended with additional polyolefins.

20. (New) The thermoplastic polyolefin composition of claim 19, wherein the additional polyolefins are selected from propylene homopolymers, random copolymers, and heterophasic copolymers composition.

21. (New) The thermoplastic polyolefin composition of claim

17 also comprising a mineral filler.

22. (New) An automotive part comprising a masterbatch composition comprising (percentage by weight):

- 1) 10-50% of a crystalline propylene homopolymer;
- 2) 50-90% of a blend consisting of:
 - a) a copolymer (a) of ethylene and 10-40% of at least one C_4-C_{10} α -olefin of formula $H_2C=CHR$, where R is a C_2-C_8 linear or branched alkyl radical; and
 - b) an amorphous copolymer (b) of propylene and ethylene, wherein an ethylene content is from 20-70%, and having an intrinsic viscosity value of a xylene-soluble moiety of from 2.2 to 3.5 dL/g, this value being equal to 0.8 to 1.2 times the intrinsic viscosity value of a xylene-soluble moiety of copolymer (a);

wherein a weight ratio between copolymer (a) and copolymer (b) is from 3/1 to 1/3, and the masterbatch composition comprises a flexural modulus equal to or lower than 700 MPa.

23. (New) A process for preparing a masterbatch composition comprising (percentage by weight):

- 1) 10-50% of a crystalline propylene homopolymer;
- 2) 50-90% of a blend consisting of:
 - a) a copolymer (a) of ethylene and 10-40% of at least one C_4-C_{10} α -olefin of formula $H_2C=CHR$, where R is a C_2-C_8 linear or branched alkyl radical; and
 - b) an amorphous copolymer (b) of propylene and ethylene, wherein an ethylene content is from 20-70%, and having an intrinsic viscosity value of a xylene-soluble moiety of from 2.2 to 3.5 dL/g, this

value being equal to 0.8 to 1.2 times the intrinsic viscosity value of a xylene-soluble moiety of copolymer (a);

wherein a weight ratio between copolymer (a) and copolymer (b) is from 3/1 to 1/3 by a sequential polymerization, comprising at least three sequential steps, wherein components 1) and 2) are prepared in separate subsequent steps, operating in each step, except the first step, in the presence of the polymer formed and the catalyst used in the preceding step, and the masterbatch composition comprises a flexural modulus equal to or lower than 700 MPa.

24. (New) The masterbatch composition of claim 14, wherein component 1) is present in an amount from 20-40% by weight.

25. (New) The masterbatch composition of claim 14, wherein component 2) is present in an amount from 60-80% by weight.

26. (New) The masterbatch composition of claim 14, wherein in component 2), R contains 12-35% of said C₄-C₁₀ α -olefins.